

STATE SPONSORED CONSERVATION PROGRAMS LANDOWNER INTEREST FORM

The State of Michigan is sponsoring two additional conservation programs under the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) - Conservation Easements and Livestock Access.

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

Landowners voluntarily agree to remove specific pieces of ground, or entire parcels of land, from agricultural production. The landowner will be compensated at fair market value. Conservation easements provide permanent protection for agricultural land while the property remains in private ownership.

To be eligible for an easement, one or more of the following CREP conservation practices must be installed (the landowner is reimbursed 100 percent of practice establishment costs):

- Shallow Water Area for Wildlife (CP9)
- Filter Strip (CP21)
- Riparian Buffer (CP22)
- Wetland Restoration (CP23)

LIVESTOCK ACCESS

Landowners voluntarily address unrestricted livestock access to drains, streams, lakes, etc. by installing conservation practices and structures. The landowner receives 100 percent of establishment or installation costs.

The following are eligible CREP livestock access conservation practices:

- Alternative watering source (e.g., well, pond, spring, etc.)
- Crossings/controlled watering site
- Exclusion fencing
- Filter strip (between the fence and the stream)
- Stream bank stabilization

Landowners with interest in one or both of the conservation programs should check the appropriate box(es) above and provide complete contact information. Return this completed form to your local Conservation District CREP Technician or USDA Service Center, Farm Services Agency (formerly ASCS) office. Your CREP Technician or USDA staff will provide program specifics as soon as they become available. Contact the Michigan Department of Agriculture at (517) 241-0236 for more information and details about CREP.

Contact Information

Contact Information		
Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Phone		
County	Township	Section # of site